

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: S. Jayaraman

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For: METHODS FOR TREATING OR PREVENTING  
VASCULAR DISEASE USING RATIONALLY  
DESIGNED THERAPEUTIC STENT (as amended)

Examiner: B. Pellegrino

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed July 10, 2008, Applicant requests continued examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the file of the above-entitled application. In accordance with USPTO practice, each section of this Response begins on a separate sheet.